# **OFFICIAL GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT**

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FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO	B GENERAL ELECTION	NOVEMBER 4, 2008
Instructions to Voter  1. To vote, you must completely	OFFICIAL OFFICE TYPE BALLOT  For President and Vice-President	For Attorney General (Unexpired Term Ending 1/9/2011) Vote For One (1)
darken the oval ( ) to the left of the candidate or answer of your choice. If you vote for more choices than permitted, your vote	Vote For One (1)  To vote for President and Vice-President, darken the oval at the left of the joint candidates of your choice. Your vote will be counted for each of the the candidates for presidential elector whose names have been certified to	Richard Cordray
	the Secretary of State.  For President Chuck Baldwin For Vice-President Darrell L. Castle Constitution Party	For Representative to Congress (15th District) Vote For One (1)
	For President <b>Bob Barr</b> For Vice-President <b>Wayne Allyn Root</b> Libertarian Party of Ohio	Mark Michael Noble Libertarian Party of Ohio  Steve Stivers Republican  Don Elijah Eckhart
	For President Richard Duncan For Vice-President Ricky Johnson	Mary Jo Kilroy Democratic Write-In
	For President John McCain For Vice-President Sarah Palin Republican	For State Representative (21st District) Vote For One (1)  Kevin Bacon Republican
	For President Cynthia McKinney For Vice-President Rosa A. Clemente Green Party of the United States	Jay G. Perez  Democratic  Jeremiah Arn  Libertarian Party of Ohio
	For President Brian Moore For Vice-President Stewart Alexander Socialist Party USA	For County Commissioner (Full Term Commencing 1/2/2009) Vote For One (1)  Paula Brooks Democratic
	For President Ralph Nader For Vice-President Matt Gonzalez	Angel Rhodes Republican  For County Commissioner
	For President Barack Obama For Vice-President Joe Biden Democratic	(Full Term Commencing 1/3/2009) Vote For One (1)  Jeffery J. Miller Republican John O'Grady Democratic
	For President Write-In	For Prosecuting Attorney
	For Vice-President  Write-In	Vote For One (1)  Ron O'Brien Republican
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For (	Clerk of Court of Common Pleas Vote For One (1)	For Justice of the Supreme Court (Full Term Commencing 1/2/2009) Vote For One (1)	For Judge of the Court of Common Pleas Probate Division (Full Term Commencing 2/9/2009)
	Clarence Mingo Republican	Peter M. Sikora	Vote For One (1)
	Maryellen O'Shaughnessy Democratic	Evelyn L. Stratton	Lawrence A. Belskis Eric Brown
	For Sheriff	For Judge of the Court of Appeals	- Lilo Blown
	Vote For One (1)	(10th District) (Full Term Commencing 2/9/2009)	OFFICIAL QUESTIONS AND ISSUES
	Jim Karnes Democratic	Vote For One (1)	BALLOT
	For County Pagardar	John A. Connor	#1 PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL
	For County Recorder Vote For One (1)	David Goodman	AMENDMENT TO PROVIDE FOR EARLIER
	Robert G. Montgomery Republican		FILING DEADLINES FOR STATEWIDE BALLOT ISSUES
		For Judge of the Court of Appeals (10th District)	
	For County Treasurer Vote For One (1)	(Full Term Commencing 7/1/2009)  Vote For One (1)	(Proposed by Joint Resolution of the General Assembly of
	Edward Leonard	Richard D. Brown	Ohio)
	Stephanie McCloud Republican	C Lisa L. Sadler	To amend Sections 1a, 1b, 1c, and 1g of Article II of the Constitution of the State of Ohio
	For County Engineer	For Judge of the Court of Common	The proposed amendment would:
	For County Engineer Vote For One (1)	For Judge of the Court of Common Pleas	Require that a citizen-initiated
	Dean C. Ringle Republican	(Full Term Commencing 1/1/2009)  Vote For One (1)  Daniel T. Hogan	statewide ballot issue be considered at the next general election if petitions are filed 125 days before the election.
	For Coroner Vote For One (1)		2. Establish deadlines for boards of elections to determine the validity of citizen-initiated petitions.
	Jan M. Gorniak  Democratic	For Judge of the Court of Common Pleas	3. Standardize the process for
	Elaine M. Lewis Republican	(Full Term Commencing 2/9/2009)  Vote For One (1)	legal challenges to citizen-initiated petitions by giving the Ohio Supreme
		Oavid W. Fais	Court jurisdiction to consider these cases and establishing expedited
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For	Education (6th District)	For Judge of the Court of Common Pleas (Full Term Commencing 7/1/2009)	A "YES" vote means approval of the amendment. A "NO" vote means disapproval of the
	Vote For One (1)  Larry Wolpert	Vote For One (1)  Shawn Dingus	amendment.
	Kristen McKinley	Richard S. Sheward	A majority YES vote is required for the amendment to be adopted.
	James Moyer	. Honard of Official	SHALL THE PROPOSED
	•	For Judge of the Court of Common	AMENDMENT BE APPROVED?
For Ju	stice of the Supreme Court	Pleas (Full Term Commencing 7/2/2009)	VEC
	Term Commencing 1/1/2009) Vote For One (1)	Vote For One (1)	○ YES
		Tim Horton	○ NO
	Maureen O'Connor	For Judge of the Court of Common	
	Joseph D. Russo	Pleas  Domestic Relations Division (Full Term Commencing 1/2/2009)  Vote For One (1)	
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FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO B GENERAL ELECTION С NOVEMBER 4, 2008 **#4 WITHDRAWN BY** #2 PROPOSED **#3 PROPOSED** PETITIONERS' COMMITTEE CONSTITUTIONAL **CONSTITUTIONAL** ON SEPTEMBER 4, 2008 **AMENDMENT AMENDMENT** TO AUTHORIZE THE STATE TO TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION TO PROTECT **ISSUE BONDS TO CONTINUE** THE CLEAN OHIO PROGRAM PRIVATE PROPERTY RIGHTS IN GROUND WATER, LAKES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL **CONSERVATION AND** AND OTHER WATERCOURSES **REVITALIZATION** (Proposed by Joint Resolution of the General Assembly of (Proposed by Joint Resolution of the General Assembly of Ohio) Ohio) To adopt Section 19b of Article I of the Constitution of the State of To adopt Section 2q of Article VIII of the Constitution of the State of Ohio This proposed amendment would: This proposed amendment would: 1. Make explicit that a private property owner has a right to make 1. Authorize the state to issue up reasonable use of the ground water to two hundred million dollars that lies beneath the owner's land, (\$200,000,000) of bonds for conservation and preservation of although this right is subordinate to the public welfare. natural areas, open spaces and farmlands and other lands devoted to agriculture, including by acquiring land or interests in land; provision of state and local park and recreation 2. Make explicit that a private property owner who owns land on the border of a lake or other watercourse has a right to make reasonable use of facilities, and other actions that permit the water in such lake or watercourse and enhance the availability, public use and enjoyment of natural areas in located on or flowing through the the state; and land, forest, water and owner's land, although this right is subordinate to the public welfare. other natural resource management projects. 3. Not affect the public's use of Lake Erie and other navigable waters 2. Authorize the state to issue of the state. bonds up to two hundred million dollars (\$200,000,000) for environmental revitalization and 4. Prevent the rights confirmed under this proposed amendment to re-development of publicly and the Ohio Constitution from being privately owned lands, including impaired or limited by the operation of environmental remediation. other sections of the Ohio assessment or clean up of Constitution. contamination or pollution. 3. Limit the amount that could be If approved, this amendment shall take effect December 1, 2008. borrowed in any one fiscal year for either conservation or revitalization purposes to no more than fifty million A "YES" vote means approval of the dollars (\$50,000,000) plus the amendment. A "NO" vote means disapproval of the principal amount of those obligations that in any prior fiscal year could have amendment. been but were not issued. A majority YES vote is required for If adopted, this amendment shall take the amendment to be adopted. effect immediately. SHALL THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT BE APPROVED? A "YES" vote means approval of the amendment. A "NO" vote means disapproval of the amendment. YES A majority YES vote is required for the amendment to be adopted. NO SHALL THE PROPOSED **AMENDMENT BE APPROVED?** YES NO **VOTE BOTH SIDES PAGE 2 OF 3** COLUMBUS 65-F 01 В ED B.S. #464 Typ:01 Seq:0369 Spl:01

- 2. Require the casino to pay a tax of up to 30% on its gross receipts for gaming less payouts. The taxes are to be used first to pay expenses of regulating and collecting taxes from the casino, then for funding of gambling prevention and treatment programs, and the remainder to be distributed in the amount of 10% to Clinton County and 90% to the remaining counties based on population and to be used at each county's discretion.
- 3. Reduce the tax paid by the casino authorized by this amendment to the lesser of the rate taxed on another casino or 25%, in the event another casino is permitted in Ohio in the future.
- 4. Require that the casino be subject to all other applicable types of taxes that are currently in effect in Ohio.
- 5. Authorize the casino to conduct any game permitted in the State of Nevada, or any state adjacent to Ohio, including any type of card or table games, slot machines, and electronic gaming devices, except bets on races or sporting events. Only persons age 21 and over would be permitted to place bets. Amounts of bets would not be subject to any limits now or in the future. Days and hours of operation would not be subject to limits.
- 6. Set aside the application to the casino of all local and state laws and any constitutional provisions that would prohibit the operation of this privately owned casino, including any local zoning law that would prohibit or place restrictions on a casino from operating on the property in question.

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If approved, this proposed amendment shall take effect 30 days after the election.

A "YES" vote means you approve of amending the Ohio Constitution to permit one casino near Wilmington in southwest Ohio.

A "NO" vote means you disapprove of amending the Ohio Constitution to permit one casino near Wilmington in southwest Ohio.

A majority "YES" vote is required for the amendment to be adopted.

# SHALL THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT BE APPROVED?

**YES** 

- The maximum interest rate would be 28% annual percentage rate (APR) on all loans.
- 2. If a majority of Ohio voters reject Section 3 of H.B. 545, check cashing lenders would be allowed to continue under previous law as follows:
- The maximum loan amount would continue to be \$800;
- There would continue to be no minimum repayment period; and
- Check cashing lenders could continue to charge rates and fees, resulting in a total charge for a loan that substantially exceeds an equivalent APR of 28%.

A "YES" vote means you approve of Section 3 of H.B. 545, and want to limit the interest rate for short term loans to 28% APR and change short term lending laws.

A "NO" vote means you disapprove of Section 3 of H.B. 545 and want to permit check cashing lenders to continue to be able to offer short term loans as currently permitted.

A majority "YES" vote is required for Section 3 of H.B. 545 to be approved.

### SHALL SECTION 3 OF H.B. 545 BE APPROVED?

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#14 PROPOSED BOND ISSUE CITY OF COLUMBUS (Safety and Health)

A Majority Affirmative Vote is Necessary for Passage.

Shall bonds be issued by the City of Columbus for the purpose of ACQUIRING, CONSTRUCTING AND IMPROVING FACILITIES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, INCLUDING THE **ACQUISITION OF REAL ESTATE** AND INTERESTS IN REAL ESTATE, THE CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION RELOCATION, REMODELING, **ENLARGEMENT AND IMPROVEMENT OF BUILDINGS** AND OTHER STRUCTURES, THE ACQUISITION OF FURNISHINGS, APPARATUS, COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT AND OTHER **EQUIPMENT, LANDSCAPING AND** MAKING SITE IMPROVEMENTS, AND REFUNDING BONDS PREVIOUSLY ISSUED FOR SUCH **PURPOSE** in the principal amount of \$86,170,000 to be repaid annually over a maximum period of 14 years, and an annual levy of property taxes be made outside the ten-mill limitation, estimated by the county auditor to average over the repayment period of the bond issue 0.56 mill for each one dollar of tax valuation, which amounts to \$0.056 for each one hundred dollars of tax valuation, commencing in 2008, first due in calendar year 2009, to pay the annual debt charges on the bonds, and to pay the debt charges on any notes issued in anticipation of those bonds?

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AGAINST THE BOND ISSUE

# #15 PROPOSED BOND ISSUE CITY OF COLUMBUS

(Streets and Highways)

A Majority Affirmative Vote is Necessary for Passage.

Shall bonds be issued by the City of Columbus for the purpose of WIDENING, OPENING, EXTENDING, CONSTRUCTING, PAVING, REPAVING, IMPROVING AND CHANGING THE LINE OF EXPRESSWAYS, FREEWAYS, ROADS, HIGHWAYS, BIKEWAYS, STREETS, ALLEYS, BRIDGES, VIADUCTS, BIOSWALES, OVERPASSES, UNDERPASSES, GRADE CROSSING ELIMINATIONS, SERVICE AND ACCESS ROADS, AND

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SIDEWALKS, INCLUDING DEVELOPMENT OF OFFSTREET PARKING FACILITIES, THE **ACQUISITION AND INSTALLATION** OF PARKING METERS, TRAFFIC CONTROL SYSTEMS, EQUIPMENT AND SIGNS, THE ACQUISITION OF REAL ESTATE AND INTERESTS IN REAL ESTATE AND RELATED **EQUIPMENT, AND LANDSCAPING** AND MAKING SITE
IMPROVEMENTS, AND
REFUNDING BONDS PREVIOUSLY ISSUED FOR SUCH PURPOSE in the principal amount of \$345,630,000 to be repaid annually over a maximum period of 16 years, and an annual levy of property taxes be made outside the ten-mill limitation, estimated by the county auditor to average over the repayment period of the bond issue 2.03 mills for each one dollar of tax valuation, which amounts to \$0.203 for each one hundred dollars of tax valuation, commencing in 2008, first due in calendar year 2009, to pay the annual debt charges on the bonds, and to pay the debt charges on any notes issued in anticipation of those bonds?

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#### #16 PROPOSED BOND ISSUE CITY OF COLUMBUS (Water)

A Majority Affirmative Vote is Necessary for Passage.

Shall bonds be issued by the City of Columbus for the purpose of ACQUIRING REAL ESTATE AND INTERESTS IN REAL ESTATE, LANDSCAPING AND MAKING SITE IMPROVEMENTS, IMPROVING **EXISTING WATER PLANTS AND ACQUIRING AND IMPROVING** INSTRUMENTATION AND CONTROL SYSTEMS, HYDROELECTRIC FACILITIES, **RAW WATER CONDUITS.** TRANSMISSION AND **DISTRIBUTION LINES, BOOSTER** STATIONS, TANKS, LAGOONS AND LEVEES, AND REFUNDING BONDS PREVIOUSLY ISSUED FOR SUCH PURPOSE in the principal amount of \$524,700,000 to be repaid annually over a maximum period of 25 years, and an annual levy of property taxes be made outside the ten-mill limitation, estimated by the county auditor to average over the repayment period of the bond issue 2.3 mills for each one dollar of tax valuation, which amounts to \$0.23 for each one hundred dollars of tax valuation, commencing in 2008, first

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due in calendar year 2009, to pay the annual debt charges on the bonds, and to pay the debt charges on any notes issued in anticipation of those bonds?

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# #17 PROPOSED BOND ISSUE CITY OF COLUMBUS

(Refuse Collection)

A Majority Affirmative Vote is Necessary for Passage.

Shall bonds be issued by the City of Columbus for the purpose of
ACQUIRING, CONSTRUCTING
AND IMPROVING FACILITIES FOR
THE DIVISION INCLUDING BUT **COLLECTION, INCLUDING BUT** NOT LIMITED TO SANITATION TRUCKS, CONTAINERS AND RELATED EQUIPMENT LANDSCAPING AND MAKING SITE IMPROVEMENTS ON REAL **ESTATE OWNED BY THE CITY** FOR SUCH PURPOSES, AND REFUNDING BONDS PREVIOUSLY **ISSUED FOR SUCH PURPOSE** in the principal amount of \$32,205,000 to be repaid annually over a maximum period of 5 years, and an annual levy of property taxes be made outside the ten-mill limitation, estimated by the county auditor to average over the repayment period of the bond issue 0.48 mill for each one dollar of tax valuation, which amounts to \$0.048 for each one hundred dollars of tax valuation, commencing in 2008, first due in calendar year 2009, to pay the annual debt charges on the bonds, and to pay the debt charges on any notes issued in anticipation of those bonds?

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**ENLARGEMENT AND #18 PROPOSED BOND ISSUE** IMPROVEMENT OF BUILDINGS **CITY OF COLUMBUS** AND OTHER STRUCTURES, THE (Sanitary Sewers) **ACQUISITION AND INSTALLATION** OF FURNISHINGS, APPARATUS, COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT A Majority Affirmative Vote is Necessary for Passage. AND OTHER EQUIPMENT LANDSCAPING AND MAKING SITE IMPROVEMENTS, AND
REFUNDING BONDS PREVIOUSLY Shall bonds be issued by the City of Columbus for the purpose of ACQUIRING REAL ESTATE AND INTERESTS IN REAL ESTATE, **ISSUED FOR SUCH PURPOSE** in the principal amount of \$124,215,000 LANDSCAPING AND MAKING SITE IMPROVEMENTS, EXPANDING AND IMPROVING EXISTING to be repaid annually over a maximum period of 17 years, and an annual levy of property taxes be made outside the ten-mill limitation, WASTEWATER TREATMENT **FACILITIES, CONSTRUCTING NEW** estimated by the county auditor to **WASTEWATER TREATMENT** average over the repayment period of FACILITIES, ACQUIRING AND IMPROVING INSTRUMENTATION the bond issue 0.7 mill for each one dollar of tax valuation, which amounts AND CONTROL SYSTEMS, SEWER to \$0.07 for each one hundred dollars LINES, PUMPING STATIONS, LAGOONS AND LEVEES, CONSTRUCTING STORM AND of tax valuation, commencing in 2008, first due in calendar year 2009, to pay the annual debt charges on the SANITARY SEWER SEPTATIONS, bonds, and to pay the debt charges WETLANDS, BIOSWALES, RAIN on any notes issued in anticipation of **GARDENS AND VEGETATED** those bonds? **ROOFS, AND ACQUIRING RELATED MACHINERY, EQUIPMENT AND** APPURTENANCES, AND REFUNDING BONDS PREVIOUSLY FOR THE BOND ISSUE **ISSUED FOR SUCH PURPOSE** in the principal amount of \$551,970,000 **AGAINST THE BOND** to be repaid annually over a maximum period of 25 years, and an annual levy of property taxes be made outside the ten-mill limitation, ISSUE estimated by the county auditor to average over the repayment period of the bond issue 2.42 mills for each one dollar of tax valuation, which amounts to \$0.242 for each one hundred dollars of tax valuation, commencing in 2008, first due in **END OF BALLOT** calendar year 2009, to pay the annual debt charges on the bonds, and to pay the debt charges on any notes issued in anticipation of those bonds? FOR THE BOND ISSUE **AGAINST THE BOND** ISSUE **#19 PROPOSED BOND ISSUE CITY OF COLUMBUS** (Recreation and Parks) A Majority Affirmative Vote is Necessary for Passage. Shall bonds be issued by the City of Columbus for the purpose of **ACQUIRING, RENOVATING AND** IMPROVING MUNICIPAL PARKS, PLAYGROUNDS AND **RECREATION FACILITIES** INCLUDING THE ACQUISITION OF REAL ESTATE AND INTERESTS IN **REAL ESTATE, THE** CONSTRUCTION what I Co **RECONSTRUCTION.** Kimberly E. Marinello RELOCATION, REMODELING, **BOARD MEMBERS** COLUMBUS 65-F 01 Ε ED B.S. #464 Typ:02 Seq:0369 Spl:01